ENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017

A Public Hearing was called to order by Chairman Kaupin in the Council Chambers of the Enfield Town Hall, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, Connecticut on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 7:20 p.m.

<u>ROLL-CALL</u> – Present were Councilmen Arnone, Bosco, Cekala, Davis, Deni, Edgar, Falk, Kaupin, Lee, Ludwick and Szewczak. Also present were Town Manager, Bryan Chodkowski; Town Clerk, Suzanne Olechnicki; Town Attorney, Christopher Bromson

Chairman Kaupin read the notice of Public Hearing, which was published in the Hartford Courant on Friday, June 9, 2017 as follows:

TOWN OF ENFIELD LEGAL NOTICE - PUBLIC HEARING MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017

"The Enfield Town Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Enfield Town Hall Council Chambers, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, Connecticut on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 6:50 p.m. to allow interested citizens an opportunity to express their opinions regarding the 2017 Neighborhood Assistance Act proposals.

Chairman Kaupin announced the ground rules for the Public Hearing.

Mr. Chodkowski stated this is annual and reoccurring legislation. He noted there were two additional applications that were submitted to the Town following the initial request. He explained the initial request was Hazardville Institute and the two additional applications were CHR and ECDC.

Chairman Kaupin invited comments from the public.

Steve Cogtella, 2 South River Street Raised the following questions:

- As concerns the proposed projects, what type of liability exposure, if any, will the Town be subjected to?
- ECDC is asking for \$70,000, however, they're also looking for \$50,000 of brownfield funds. Are they eligible for these funds because they're currently under federal investigation?
- Is ECDC in good standing with the Town regarding back taxes that are owed?

• Is there commercial building and liability insurance for 33 North River Street at this time?

Mr. Cogtella stated his understanding that before the Town can pass through monies, they need to comply with insurance and bonding requirements that are part of agreements. He stated his belief compliance with these requirements is the responsibility of the Town Manager, and he's the fiduciary for the Town. He noted the money is funneled from the Town Manager through the pass-through-grant agreement to the sub recipient, which is ECDC. He explained the problem with that is that the Town Manager is also the Executive Director of the ECDC, and he has a fiduciary responsibility to the corporation, therefore, he questions whose best interest will he be serving – the Town of Enfield or the ECDC. He stated this seems like a conflict of interest.

As concerns the use of the brownfield funds, the applicant states there will be repairs to the roof, cleanup of hazardous material and abatement of lead and asbestos. He stated there shouldn't be anything there because according to the minutes of 2015, there was little there, or any remediation that did take place was done. He referred to the February 24, 2015 Special Town Council Meeting when Mr. LaMore stated, "acquired 33 North River Street in 2014 for \$165,000." He noted the environmental surveys and study are nearly complete, and he stated they "are surprised they are now finding material and cleanup that will be minimal if any." He referred to the June 15, 2015 Special Town Council Meeting when Mr. LaMore stated, "Environmental work was nearly complete at 33 North River Street, and no significant environmental issues were found." He stated at the December 9, 2015 meeting of the ECDC, Peter Bryanton stated, "The remediation was underway at 33 North River Street/Brownfield Grant." Mr. Cogtella stated there was either nothing there, or very little that was remediated according to these minutes. He stated if there's still asbestos in the building, he questions what remediation took place and at what cost.

Mr. Cogtella questioned who was the contractor that came up with \$130,000 for the cost of this project. He noted there was no information as to where that amount came from. He questioned if the Town is going to be doing this work, and will it be considered in-kind services on the back of the taxpayers, or will the Town be reimbursed from this money.

Gerald Fitzsimons, 34 Walnut Street

Stated he's a member of the ECDC Board of Directors. He noted he is present on behalf of the Board to request the Council's support for this grant application. He noted this would be a tax credit given to companies that contribute funds towards a project and they then receive tax credits from the State. He stated there are no Town funds in relation to that particular aspect of it. He went on to state his understanding that the brownfield grant is the existing brownfield grant that relates to the project that has been underway for some time and was held in abeyance by some events. He stated currently activity is ongoing at this time.

Mr. Fitzsimons stated ECDC has an entirely new board, and there are no members of the current board that were on board at the time of the previous activities that triggered the investigation. He noted the current board has been working hard to move forward and get on a new track to begin addressing moving some of the assets to help cover some of the liabilities. He stated they are hampered by the ongoing status of the investigation, which are activities they weren't involved with. He noted the intent of this project is to allow community organizations or corporations to assist with securing the building and preserving it against damage and the elements. He stated his hope the Council will see clear to approve this project.

Chairman Kaupin explained the entity works with local businesses to secure tax credits. He noted there's no involvement with Town funds or staff.

As there were no further comments from the public, Chairman Kaupin closed the Public Hearing at 7:32 p.m.

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<u>ROLL-CALL</u> – Present were Councilmen Arnone, Bosco, Cekala, Davis, Deni, Edgar, Falk, Kaupin, Lee, Ludwick and Szewczak. Also present were Town Manager, Bryan Chodkowski; Town Clerk, Suzanne Olechnicki; Town Attorney, Christopher Bromson

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"The Enfield Town Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Enfield Town Hall Council Chambers, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, Connecticut on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 6:50 p.m. to allow interested citizens an opportunity to express their opinions regarding the Proposed Lease of Approximately 11 Acres of Town-Owned Land Located at 77 Town Farm Road.

Chairman Kaupin announced the ground rules for the Public Hearing.

Mr. Chodkowski explained this issue is brought before the Council to rectify a long, standing practice. He noted Collins Farm has been utilizing a portion of the Town's landfill to farm feed corn. He stated in an effort to bring legitimacy to this issue, there was a request, at least in the short term, for a lease in this instance to be able to farm the land until a more permanent arrangement could be made.

Chairman Kaupin invited comments from the public.

As there were no comments from the public, Chairman Kaupin closed the Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m.

ENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Enfield Town Council was called to order by Chairman Kaupin in the Council Chambers of the Enfield Town Hall, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, Connecticut on Monday, June 19, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

PRAYER – The Prayer was given by Councilor Cekala.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

<u>ROLL-CALL</u> – Present were Councilors Arnone, Bosco, Cekala, Davis, Deni, Edgar, Falk, Kaupin, Lee, Ludwick and Szewczak. Also present were Town Manager, Brian Chodkowski; Town Clerk, Suzanne Olechnicki; Town Attorney, Christopher Bromson; Director of Community Development, Peter Bryanton; Director of Development Services, Michael Ciriello; Deputy Director of Public Works, Bill Taylor; Director of Human Resources, Steven Bielenda; Director of Finance, John Wilcox

FIRE EVACUATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman Kaupin made the fire evacuation announcement.

MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

MOTION #4196 by Councilor Arnone, seconded by Councilor Falk to accept the minutes of the June 5, 2017 Regular Meeting.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared **MOTION #4196** adopted 11-0-0.

SPECIAL GUEST

Present was Director of Development Services, Michael Ciriello

Mr. Ciriello stated he's present this evening to talk about adaptive re-use request for development. He noted they're creating a tool for economic development. He stated there is publicly owned property that they will be disposing of and releasing to the public for purchase and development. He explained they're trying to develop a consistent narrative of expectations, process and procedures that include a project narrative, the financial considerations, land use regulations, the marketplace and market potential, demographic, economic trends and the methodology for evaluating proposals and selecting candidates. He noted they're looking at ways of balancing long-term development factors and trends to advance the Town's goals, objectives and opportunities. He stated this is done by pulling data from local plans, such as the Plan of Conservation and Development and national and international resources. He stated

they're looking for substantial gaps in conventional development and seeking unique and creative uses to compliment or broaden the economic landscape. He explained they do this by evaluating quantifiable data. He stated agriculture has been one of the legs of the local economy, and they hope it's part of Enfield's potential future. He noted one of the trends for buildings is business incubators for small business. He stated the question is how do they tie in agriculture, which is one of Enfield's economic goals, with some other goals, which is the enhancement and development of small businesses, and enhancing and developing a healthier lifestyle for Enfield citizens. He noted their market research tells them there's a market for more agricultural products in this region. He stated one of the ideas they propose as part of their adaptive reuse requests for proposals is an idea associated with commercial kitchens. He noted they hear a lot from people who are interested in packaging foods for the farmers market, but they can't do that unless they're actually doing something that is in a health department certified commercial kitchen. He stated such ideas mesh with other goals and objectives that the Town has already established. He noted ultimately they've created a template that's consistent and can be used repeatedly with a standard set of questions that they ask, and the packages are going out to people who they think may be interested in purchasing these parcels.

Councilor Arnone requested Mr. Ciriello redefine "public lands". Mr. Ciriello stated this generally refers to buildings that the Town has come to possess, and it also refers to slivers of land, not wholesale parcels of land.

Councilor Arnone questioned how this would work with the Health Department. Mr. Ciriello stated his department would help an interested party negotiate their conversations with the Health Department. He noted he already reached out to the Health Department to learn the hurdles a potential investor would need to climb over.

Mr. Ciriello stated agriculture is a very significant component of the economy, and he feels there's plenty of room to grow it.

Councilor Falk requested an example of selling Town-owned property, and Mr. Ciriello stated 100 High Street is on the market, and it could possibly be re-used as a restaurant, brewery, food-related business or gymnastic center. He noted the adaptive reuse package that they would float for that building would contain the same elements as it would for a vacant school or office building. He stated the important point is that they're consistent in the data that they're supplying for the public to use, and the public could utilize that data to reduce the up-front time usually spent in getting data themselves.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

Barbara Loos, 28 Aloha Drive & Thomas Kienzler, 359 Washington Road

Ms. Loos stated she would like the help of the Town's property maintenance enforcement to reevaluate how they handle blighted property. She noted she never had a problem with the Town until recently. She stated evidently someone complained about her property being blighted, and she received a certified letter. She pointed out she recently installed new windows, a new roof, replaced a fence, and she works diligently to

maintain her property. She noted the complaint related to her grass being too high. She stated she was away when this happened, but the problem was addressed within a day or two after she received this letter.

Ms. Loos stated the letter from the Town was very intimidating.

Mr. Kienzler stated Ms. Loos has one of the nicest properties on the street, and she prides herself on being a good citizen. He suggested instead of sending a letter and frightening people, perhaps the Town could knock on the door to see what the problem is because sometimes people are elderly or having health problems. He also suggested the wording in the letter should be toned down a little, rather than being very intimidating.

Ms. Loos stated she came to this meeting because she doesn't want anyone else to receive such a letter. She believes there should first be a knock on the door to be sure everything is okay, or a postcard, phone call or letter explaining the problem, rather than intimidating or harassing letters.

Sheila Valliere, 3 Monroe Road

She stated she has a petition with 702 signatures regarding the problems at the Scantic River Park. She recognized that while things have been done at the park, i.e., "No Parking" signs, a port-a-potty and trash cans, it's just not enough. She stated the problems are evident in the summer season. She requested the Council petition the State of Connecticut for the property ownership rights of this park so it can be better managed at a Town level. She stated the problems at this park have become progressively worse over the last five years. She noted the issues have to do with garbage, parking, pedestrians in the roadway, noise and disruption to the surrounding area. She stated the Town needs more jurisdiction over this park, and they need a person assigned to this area to regulate things. She pointed out there is a "No Drinking" sign there, but people are drinking. She stated no ground fires are allowed, but people are having big bar-b-cues and big parties at this park. She stated at one point in time the Powder Hollow Barn was charging people to park there and go to the park, but this is not helping the situation.

Ms. Valliere stated the petition is for the Town to petition the State for the property rights, or to come up with a more permanent solution because a lot of people are being affected by these problems. She pointed out people like to hike the trails, but her family doesn't hike in that park any more because they're nervous about who or what is there. She stated DEEP only comes to the park when someone complains.

Christopher Ramsdell, 35 Powder Ridge Road

Stated his property abuts the Scantic River, and he purchased this property so they could hike and visit the park. He pointed out there are already regulations in place for that park according to DEEP, i.e., the banning of alcohol, litter, fires within five feet of a tree, noise and parking regulations. He stated a violation of any one of these regulations is grounds for fines and eviction from a state park or forest. He feels the means are already in place to address 95% of the issues, but it requires a body on hand on a regular basis to enforce those regulations.

Kevin Kibbe, 20 School Street

Stated people want to be able to use the Scantic River Park safely and pleasantly. He pointed out at times visitors to the park are leaving nasty debris behind.

Tina Perez, 57 Abbe Road

Stated her belief the Scantic River Park should be for Enfield residents only because there are too many people using this park and it's getting destroyed. She pointed out this park is not big enough for the many people using that area. She noted she would like to visit this park with her husband, but that area is a big turn-off at this time.

Barbara Wilkinson, 26 Powder Ridge Road

Stated she lives at the bottom of Powder Ridge Road, and the way cars are parking to access the Scantic River Park is causing a hazardous traffic situation.

Ms. Wilkinson stated she has lived here 38 years, and her son grew up going to the park, and she has friends who can no longer fish in that area. She learned a couple years ago someone placed two toilets under the bridge and people were defecating in the water causing e-coli. She noted it breaks her heart to see this because she bought her house in this area for the quiet and sounds of nature. She pointed out the problem is that there is no longer peace and quiet because the music is so loud, there are too many people with people drinking and becoming violent. She noted she can hear the noise, screaming and traffic. She stated this was a quiet, beautiful area, and it has been turned into something that was never meant to be.

Albert Merkt, 33Powder Ridge Road

Stated he agrees with everything that has been said about Scantic River Park. He noted of particular concern to him is the health issue of the whole situation. He stated it doesn't matter where people come from, but if garbage is sitting everywhere, it's a health issue.

Michael Dynia, 29 Plainfield Street, Chairman of the Scantic River Watershed Association

Stated something has to be done about the Scantic River Park because things are out of control. He noted he suggested to DEEP that coolers be banned because people are coming to the park with two or three coolers at a time. He stated DEEP talked about turning people away once the park is full, however, everyone is allowed in. He pointed out that at other parks people are turned away once the parking lot is full, and they should do the same thing at this park. He pointed out this park was meant for passive recreation, i.e., fishing and hiking. He noted something has to be done about the parking, and the police can ticket cars. He stated e-coli is a river-wide problem because of all the run-off from the farms. He noted there's the question of posting signs in the park when e-coli is high.

Mr. Dynia stated they're looking for people to help in the Scantic River Watershed. He noted they meet the second Monday of the month in Somers. He stated his email address is mdynia@yahoo.com and the Scantic River Watershed has a website.

David Duber, 37 Powder Ridge Road

Stated his children grew up in this area, and they have wonderful memories. He noted he started bringing his grandchild to the Scantic River about eight years ago when it was still nice, but it has gone to pot. He noted he is present to support the comments made by other people this evening concerning the Scantic River Park.

Emily Valliere, 3 Monroe Road

Stated she's almost 16 years old and has never been to the Scantic River Park because there are problems in that area with trash, cars, loud music and people probably drinking alcohol. She stated she would like these problems addressed. She acknowledged the Town has tried to address the problems, but it's not enough.

Susan Pearson, 30 Edgewood Drive

Stating she's fighting to keep the concrete sidewalks that cross driveways on Edgewood Drive. She noted residents were happy to hear their road was being re-done, but they weren't happy to hear concrete sidewalks were to be replaced with asphalt. She stated they could not find any policy about asphalt replacing concrete. She noted they were told this replacement has to do with pitch, however, they don't have a pitch issue on Edgewood Drive. She questioned why concrete should be replaced with an inferior product that will end up leaving a seam. She stated she has seen in other neighborhoods where this results in weeds growing out of the seam and cracks developing. She pointed out the Town would save money by leaving the concrete sidewalks in place on Edgewood Drive.

Sandy Brennan, 34 Edgewood Drive

Stated Edgewood Drive is a lovely street, and many people enjoy walking in this area. She noted Enfield is trying to improve walkability throughout the town.

She stated the engineering drawings show there will be a slight pitch if they change concrete walkways to asphalt, and this will make walking hazardous. She stated she slipped on such a hazard walking down Steele Road. She noted they've also been told that once the sidewalk is replaced with asphalt, the homeowner will be legally liable for the driveway all the way to the road, even though there will be a walking hazard. She stated this is very worrisome and questioned if there is a plan to provide these homeowners with a liability waiver. She feels this legal liability, along with the negative appearance of asphalt patches interrupting the sidewalk will have a detrimental impact on property values. She stated Enfield can ill afford any property values slipping, and they need to do everything they can to keep all property values strong.

Walter Cienaski, 26 Edgewood Drive

Stated he went to a meeting Tuesday, and was a little disappointed in its outcome, however, he understands the Town continues to work on this issue. He noted change is not always good.

Mary Ann Turner, 7 Meadow Road

Spoke about vandalism at the new Enfield High School and stated this has to be nipped in the bud. She asked the Council to find a way to put a stop to this. She stated her understanding some students have been brought to task about this problem. She noted if there's destruction done, it can't be the Town that pays the bill. She requested the Town do what it can when students make this error in judgment so that they don't do it again.

COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

Councilor Arnone stated a few years ago, the Town met with DEEP about the Scantic River Park, and DEEP asked for time to address issues. He noted time has passed, and he feels it's time to take the park back. He feels they need to meet with the State again and negotiate some sort of deal.

As concerns vandalism at the new high school, Councilor Arnone stated his belief it's a small group of students causing the damage. He noted the majority of students love the school.

Councilor Lee stated DEEP indicated a few weeks ago that they were going to try some things in the Scantic River Park, i.e., removal of hibachi grill stands and some picnic tables. He stated last year DEEP was going to make an effort to limit the number of people in the park, but that didn't make it through the Legislature this year. He noted this is not a law, but a regulation that has to be stamped by the Legislature, but that effort failed. He noted DEEP will bring that back up in the new year. He explained DEEP feels the limit of that part of the park is basically the number of parking spaces allocated in that area. He noted DEEP is willing to come back to the town and talk about some new management techniques that might be on a more permanent basis.

MOTION #4197 by Councilor Lee, seconded by Councilor Szewczak to suspend the rules to address under Miscellaneous Items 14 A1, B1, E, F, G, H, I, J and K.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared **MOTION #4197** adopted 10-0-0, with Councilor Deni absent at the vote.

Councilor Szewczak questioned if the Enfield Police Department has jurisdiction to enforce DEEP ordinances inside the Scantic River Park. Councilor Lee stated to the best of his knowledge, that's how it was portrayed, i.e., car towing or alcohol violations.

Councilor Szewczak stated Town staff should know that they have these capabilities to address what's going on at the Scantic River Park. She noted they really have to define that this is a park for passive recreation.

Councilor Bosco stated they have to stay on top of the problems at Scantic River Park.

Councilor Ludwick stated he attended the Adult Education graduation class of 2017. He noted this was a great ceremony.

He stated he had the opportunity to hear the Select Choir at JFK Middle School, and the solo performers and the 6th, 7th and 8th grade choirs did a great job.

Councilor Ludwick stated he attended the Honor Society events at JFK and EHS, and these were also great events.

Councilor Ludwick questioned the possibility of the Honor Society providing volunteer help for the Scantic River Park. Councilor Lee stated the Scouts that he's affiliated with have worked through the Scantic River Watershed Association, and he's sure Mr. Dynia would welcome more help.

Councilor Ludwick questioned if the Town can issue permits for people to park at the Scantic River Park. Councilor Lee stated he did not believe so.

Councilor Ludwick commended staff and students with perfect attendance.

Councilor Szewczak stated the Town should make sure that a blight issue is not something transient.

Councilor Falk stated in early May he attended a talk about marijuana, and he has material which he can share with the Council. He noted it's very important to educate youth and the general public regarding the harm of marijuana.

Councilor Lee stated DEEP maintains a 24-hour, seven-day a week line that they encourage residents to use to report anything going on in state land that appears to be illegal or otherwise. He noted that number is 1-860-424-3333.

Councilor Bosco stated the Town gets a lot of blight complaints, and the Town is working diligently to try and get things cleared up. He agreed if a home looks out of character, it wouldn't hurt to put a note on the door to call Town Hall. He noted if there's no response, perhaps an inquiry can be made to a neighbor in case a wellness check needs to be made.

As concerns the blight issue raised earlier this evening, Chairman Kaupin stated Town staff did react to a complaint, but perhaps they can come up with a better way to address property owners before an official citation letter goes out.

Chairman Kaupin stated he supports the idea of meeting with DEEP because in the end it's DEEP that has to make things right. He noted he has reservations about sugarcoating what the problem is, and the problem is that this is a very small park, and it's being way over-used for its intended purposes. He stated it's incumbent upon the Town that they have to take whatever enforcements they legally can do today. He stated they have to hit them hard and they have to be consistent from day one. He noted he wants to

see the Enfield Police Department out there ticketing and towing any illegally parked vehicle. He stated he wants the Police Department, Public Works and whoever is in charge of parking enforcement to let the Council know what has to be done regarding signage for areas that might be totally "no parking".

Chairman Kaupin stated as Enfield residents, they honor the tradition and history of the Scantic River and the park. He noted residents know it's for passive recreation, and it's not meant to be for a wedding or birthday party with a pop-up tent. He stated people shouldn't be grilling there and people should not be bringing in boom boxes, coolers and generators. He noted people should be bringing their fishing poles or a chair to sit on. He stated DEEP is very understaffed and under-supported by the State of Connecticut, and they don't have enough resources. He noted the Town has to figure out what can be done to make it very difficult for people to use the park as an encampment for the day. He stated his belief the message to DEEP has to be stronger than before, but it has to be acknowledged DEEP is short-handed.

Chairman Kaupin stated within the confines of the law, he wants the Town to be hard, consistent and predictable, and he wants a doubled effort with no parking on the streets around the Scantic River Park between June 1st and Columbus Day. He noted it should be made difficult to set up encampments. He stated this is a passive recreation park. He suggested a police officer be in the parking lot at 6:00 a.m. Saturday morning and he or she stays there.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT & COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Chodkowski stated there has already been communication back and forth through Councilor Lee with DEEP, and they will be following up at the staff level this week. He provided some information concerning policing activities through the month of May as follows: nine directed patrols were made of the Scantic River Park; they issued two citations for disorderly; one for assault; one for fire assist; one on a DEEP assist and a traffic stop. He noted they have attempted to have a presence at that park. He stated they will work at getting information about this activity in future Project and Activities Reports.

He stated the Council has within their packets the Project and Activities Report.

Councilor Arnone questioned if it's only legislatively that the Town can purchase this park back, or a portion of it, and he would like to know the procedure to do so.

Councilor Ludwick questioned whether the Town can bill the State for town services. Mr. Chodkowski stated typically these agreements are out of mutual aid. He noted the Town doesn't charge the State when they come to their aid, therefore, they don't charge the Town when they come to the Town's aid.

Councilor Ludwick referred to 98 Prospect Street and questioned whether the Town is moving forward with that property. Mr. Chodkowski stated Town staff is working to keep this moving forward.

TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT & COMMUNICATIONS

There was no formal report this evening.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTES OF THE COUNCIL

Enfield High School Renovation Building Committee

Councilor Szewczak stated the Building Committee has been having a little angst about vandalism that has occurred at the high school. She noted administration is starting to step up to the plate. She stated this is self-policing, and they need to instill in all citizens that it's a right and privilege to use the high school or Scantic River Park. She stated the majority of people respect everything, but it's saddening when people don't respect what's brought to them. She noted she does love the new Enfield High School, and she's very proud of it.

JFK Pre-Referendum Committee

Chairman Kaupin stated this committee will be at the Fourth of July Celebration to show what the intended work is.

OLD BUSINESS

All Old Business items remained tabled.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

RESOLUTION #4198 by Councilor Lee, seconded by Councilor Falk.

Resolution to approve a three-year collective bargaining agreement with CSEA, Local #2001 (Professional & Technical Union)

RESOLVED, that the Enfield Town Council does hereby approve the three (3) year collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Enfield and the Connecticut State Employee's Union ('CSEA"), Local #2001 dated July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

Upon a **ROLL-CALL** vote being taken, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #4198** adopted 11-0-0.

RESOLUTION #4199 by Councilor Arnone, seconded by Councilor Lee.

Resolution to approve a three year collective bargaining agreement with CSEA, Local #2001 (SUPERVISORY UNION)

RESOLVED, that the Enfield Town Council does hereby approve the three (3) year collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Enfield and the Connecticut State Employee's Union ("CSEA"), Local #2001 dated July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

Upon a **ROLL-CALL** vote being taken, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #4199** adopted 11-0-0.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

All items were moved to Miscellaneous

MISCELLANEOUS

MOTION #4200 by Councilor Arnone, seconded by Councilor Deni to approve the Consent Agenda. Transfer \$6,900 Human Resources

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared **MOTION #4200** adopted 11-0-0.

NOMINATION #4201 by Councilor Edgar to appoint Muriel Capocci (D) to the Commission on Aging for a term which expires 12/31/2017.

MOTION #4202 by Councilor Lee, seconded by Councilor Deni to close nominations.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared **MOTION #4202** adopted 11-0-0.

Upon a <u>ROLL-CALL</u> vote being taken, the Chair declared Muriel Capocci appointed to the Commission on Aging by an 11-0-0 vote.

RESOLUTION #4203 by Councilor Lee, seconded by Councilor Cekala.

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Chapter VI, Section 8(f) of the Town Charter, the following transfer is hereby made:

FROM: General Fund TO:

10800092-584000 \$62,637 10800092-593010 \$62,637 Unallocated - Contingency Unallocated - Transfers to Capital

FROM: TO:

31104000-480001 \$62,637 31108545-533900 \$448,100 Revenue Grant Funded Projects South River St Brg-Other Prof Fees

General Fund Trf In

31104000-460985 \$510,000 31108545-545000 \$124,537

Revenue Grant Funded Projects South River St Brg-Construction Svcs

S. River St. Br Gnt

<u>CERTIFICATION:</u> I hereby certify that the above-stated funds are available as of June 13, 2017.

/s/ John A. Wilcox, Director of Finance

Councilor Cekala requested the funding be explained. Mr. Chodkowski stated the project is approximately \$2,350,000, and 80% of that is reimbursed by the State. He noted this is one of the final transfers necessary to begin the project.

Councilor Ludwick questioned the timetable for the project, and Mr. Taylor stated he does not have exact dates at this time. He added it's a very involved project, and he does not expect to see any construction for a couple years. He noted this crosses a major waterway, and property acquisition may be involved.

Upon a **ROLL-CALL** vote being taken, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #4203** adopted 11-0-0.

RESOLUTION #4204 by Councilor Falk, seconded by Councilor Cekala.

RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Enfield hereby finds and determines that this fiscal year 2017 appropriation for the South River Street Bridge project shall constitute an appropriation of funds within the limits and meets the requirements of the Enfield Town Charter.

Upon a **ROLL-CALL** vote being taken, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #4204** adopted 11-0-0.

RESOLUTION #4205 by Councilor Falk, seconded by Councilor Szewczak.

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to lease approximately 11+/- acres of Town-owned land located on the northeast corner of 77 Town Farm Road, commonly known as the Town of Enfield Transfer Station property, shown in the Enfield Land Records Book of Maps, Volume 226, Pages 3321 through 3324; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission at its June 15, 2017 meeting made a positive referral per Connecticut General Statute 8-24; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council held a public hearing on June 19, 2017 to receive input from the residents of the Town of Enfield regarding the proposed lease agreement.

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager, Bryan R.H. Chodkowski, is empowered to enter into the attached Agreement, which has been reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney, in the name and on behalf of the Town of Enfield, with Collins Powder Hill Farm, LLC.

Upon a **ROLL-CALL** vote being taken, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #4205** adopted 11-0-0.

RESOLUTION #4206 by Councilor Arnone, seconded by Councilor Szewczak.

WHEREAS, the Town has developed a sidewalk plan for replacement of sidewalks across driveways when required due to construction; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Enfield adopts the Town of Enfield Sidewalk Through Driveway Policy as attached.

<u>AMENDMENT #1</u> by Councilor Ludwick, seconded by Councilor Bosco to amend the policy to the original draft sidewalk policy dated 6/8/17.

Councilor Ludwick explained they've heard from numerous residents on Edgewood and Brentwood whereby they do not want their concrete sidewalk replaced, and this policy gives the Town the flexibility to be able to work with the residents. He stated his belief this policy is a fair compromise.

Councilor Falk questioned whether "in kind" means the Town will pay for a concrete sidewalk through a blacktop driveway. Councilor Ludwick responded yes, if it's existing.

Councilor Bosco stated the people of Edgewood Drive should realize there will still be a seam in the driveway if they have a concrete sidewalk because the driveway will have to be cut back a little just to get the right taper. He added he would like to make an amendment to the amendment with Item 4b as follows: "An existing sidewalk that needs to be replaced will be replaced in kind, unless it is not in the best interest of the Town as determined by Public Works or the Town Manager or his designee."

Councilor Cekala stated she's not against this because it does protect the Town, but she doesn't want to make an exception to the exception.

Chairman Kaupin stated the Town should not just remove sidewalks for removing purposes. He feels "what's in the best interest of the Town" is very nebulous because it's undefined and open to interpretation. He added he also has a problem with the Town replacing "in kind". He noted if someone wants a sidewalk to go across their driveway, and it's been determined by the Town based on pitch or condition that the existing sidewalk has to be removed, then the homeowner can be given the option to pay for the installation of sidewalk across their driveway. He stated he will vote "no" on the amendment to the amendment.

Mr. Chodkowski stated his understanding the amendment to the amendment is "except where the application of this subsection 4b is determined to be against the best interest of the Town as determined by the Director of Public Works or his/her designee".

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared the amendment to the amendment passes by an 8-3-0 vote, with Councilors Falk, Kaupin and Szewczak voting against.

Councilor Falk referred to Item b. where the Town is going to replace concrete with concrete and stated he is not in favor of that, therefore, he does not agree with "in kind", however, it's fine if the homeowner is willing to pay the cost to do that.

Councilor Szewczak stated she's not in favor of putting new concrete sidewalks in driveways because in 1992 they decided the mismatch of materials is not the way the Town wants to go. She noted if they don't have to touch a sidewalk, it can be left as is, however, if they do have to touch it, it has to be asphalt with one continuous ribbon of asphalt that goes to the road.

Chairman Kaupin questioned what it does to the budget if they replace in kind. He noted the current policy has been in effect since 1992, and all of the specs that voters approved in referendums were based on no sidewalks through driveways, therefore, they will drive up the cost of Roads 2015 overall. He stated they have neighborhoods where the Town removed sidewalks across driveways, and do they now have a right to come back and say, "put them back in". He questioned what work is not going to be done now if this new policy is adopted because there will be work taken off the list because it's going to cost more money.

Mr. Taylor stated as concerns what happens with previous projects, the proposed policy addresses that where it says they are ratifying the decisions that were made in the past as being in conformance with the past policy. He noted for projects already done, those people wouldn't have any recourse to come back. He went on to note every project varies widely. He stated some projects won't effect the sidewalks. He noted there's no need to touch the sidewalks in Edgewood or Brentwood. He stated the price to build concrete sidewalks is three to four times as much as an asphalt sidewalk. He noted at one point they tried to provide an estimate, but they were operating under the old policy. He stated under the old policy, they would have gone into Edgewood and replaced every sidewalk across all 49 driveways, and that would have cost about \$50,000. He noted to replace all those sidewalks with concrete would mean foregoing about a half mile of road reconstruction.

Councilor Arnone questioned the cost savings by not tearing up all the sidewalks. Mr. Taylor stated that wasn't calculated.

Councilor Szewczak stated there's road reconstruction and there's sidewalk reconstruction, and they don't necessarily go on simultaneously. She noted she visited Bellawood, one of Enfield's latest developments, and the sidewalk ends and the driveway goes directly to the road. She noted she'd like to keep this simple, but it becomes more and more convoluted.

Mr. Chodkowski stated Mr. Taylor is requesting some direction tonight at least specific to this project since they're ready to commence paving, and a two-week delay would be problematic

operationally and financially. He noted in conversation with the Town Attorney and recalling a provision of the traffic management plan, perhaps it might be best to look at a specific exemption for the Edgewood residents in this particular instance and bring into this sidewalks policy the provision from the traffic management plan.

There was a consensus not to pull out sidewalks if they do not need to be pulled out and replace in kind on the Deepwood, Brentwood and Edgewood project. Councilors Falk and Szewczak were against the consensus.

<u>MOTION #4206A</u> by Councilor Arnone, seconded by Councilor Ludwick to table Item H.until the first meeting in August.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared **MOTION #4206A** adopted 11-0-0.

RESOLUTION #4207 by Councilor Arnone, seconded by Councilor Deni.

RESOLVED, that the Enfield Town Council may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Bryan R.H. Chodkowski, as Town Manager of the Town of Enfield, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Enfield Town Council and to do and perform all acts and things which he/she deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents.

Upon a <u>ROLL-CALL</u> vote being taken, the Chair declared <u>RESOLUTION #4207</u> adopted 11-0-0.

RESOLUTION #4208 by Councilor Arnone, seconded by Councilor Lee.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on June 19, 2017 to allow interested citizens an opportunity to express their opinion regarding which programs shall be included on the Town of Enfield's Application under the provisions of the "Neighborhood Assistance Act;" and

WHEREAS, a proposal was submitted by the Hazardville Institute Conservancy Society, Enfield Community Development Corporation, and Community Health Resources; and

WHEREAS, the following proposal is acceptable to the Enfield Town Council within the guidelines for proposed programs under the "Neighborhood Assistance Act:"

Energy Conservation Improvements: Interior Storms and Windows, Insulation, Heating and Cooling,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Town of Enfield's 2017 proposed program application submitted to the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue under the provision of the "Neighborhood Assistance Act" shall consist of the proposal identified in the preceding paragraph.
- 2. The Enfield Town Manager is hereby authorized to submit this application to the State Department of Revenue, and to approve any donations received as a result of this application.

Chairman Kaupin stated it appears this resolution was written for one application and not for three. Mr. Chodkowski explained at the time the resolution came before Council and at the time the public hearing was set by Council, there was only one application, however, the statute allowed additional applications to be submitted, therefore, there was that lag between the time that they had the notice and the time that the Town could accept applications. He noted they did check with the Town Attorney's office to be sure they could still accept the additional two under the statute. Mr. Chodkowski stated he would consider such as a scrivener's error, but would defer to the Town Attorney's opinion.

Attorney Bromson stated they looked at the initial one and said there can be an additional change. He agreed about the scrivener's error and they make the note that it's for three applications and not one. He noted it's clear there are three applications, and he doesn't feel it's a substantive defect.

Councilor Lee stated he filed these on behalf of the Hazardville Institute Conservancy for a few years. He noted the Town's role is only to endorse the fact that these projects could potentially exist in this community through organizations that exist in this community and they're forwarded to the Department of Revenue Services. He stated all they're doing is allowing for organizations to then go out and solicit donations for specific projects.

Upon a <u>ROLL-CALL</u> vote being taken, the Chair declared <u>RESOLUTION #4208</u> adopted 10-0-0 with Councilor Bosco absent at the vote.

RESOLUTION #4209 by Councilor Lee, seconded by Councilor Arnone.

RESOLVED, that the Enfield Town Council does hereby approve an extension of the temporary waiver period from August 6, 2017 to December 31, 2017 of the following qualifications:

• "Certification by the Connecticut Association of Assessing Officers as a Certified Connecticut Assessor or certification by the International Association of Assessment Officers as a Certified Assessment Evaluator is required."

Upon a **ROLL-CALL** vote being taken, the Chair declared **RESOLUTION #4209** adopted 9-1-0, with Councilor Edgar voting against and Councilor Bosco absent at the vote.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Christopher Ramsdell, 35 Powder Ridge Road

Stated his impression everything is in place to enforce the regulations for the Scantic River Park.

Sheila Valliere, 3 Monroe Road

Stated her belief the regulations should be posted at the Scantic River Park. She questioned how they can address the issue of cars parking at Powder Hollow Barn. She stated she would like to see a permanent resolution to these issues.

Steve Cogtella, 2 South River Street

Stated he does not have an issue with the Neighborhood Assistance Act. He noted he would like answers to questions he raised earlier. He stated the ECDC project is dependent upon \$50,000 in grant money from the Town. He noted he wants to be sure they're in compliance with insurance and bonding requirements to have that brownfield money funded to them. He questioned if they're in good standing with the Town as far as back taxes are concerned. He noted they were going to be remediating asbestos and lead, as well as other hazardous material, and supposedly there was none in there or it was already done. He questioned for what will they be using that money. He noted he heard there's a whole new Board of Directors for the ECDC, however, he doesn't know who those people are. He stated this organization is no more transparent now than it was with the previous administration. He feels this organization is subject to open meetings and FOI. He pointed out brownfield money is public funds.

COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

Attorney Bromson stated the Town Manager has not inquired of the Town Attorney's Office in regards to ECDC, nor would they opine in regard to a non-town agency.

Chairman Kaupin referred to the Scantic River Park, and stated the public will know if there's a public meeting with DEEP. He stated the Town can do any necessary enforcement this coming weekend. He noted he'd like to see a full-scale effort.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #4210 by Councilor Falk, seconded by Councilor Deni to adjourn.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared **MOTION #4210** adopted 11-0-0, and the meeting stood adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne F. Olechnicki Town Clerk Clerk of the Council Jeannette Lamontagne Secretary to the Council

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ENFIELD TOWN COUNCIL REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS RESOLUTION NO. _____

	transfer is hereby made.	ith Chapter VI, Section 8(f)	of the Town Charter, the
TO:	Human Resources Travel	10170000 - 558000	\$6,900
FROM:	Human Resources Unemployment	10170000 - 525000	\$6,900
<u>CERTIFI</u> 14, 2017.		y that the above-stated funds	s are available as of June
John Wilcox, Director of Finance		Date	

APPROVED BY: ______ Town Manager Date: _____

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LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS INDENTURE made this _____ day of _____ 2017, by and between the **TOWN OF ENFIELD**, a municipal corporation in the County of Hartford, State of Connecticut, hereinafter called the "Lessor" and **COLLINS POWDER HILL FARM, LLC**, of the Town of Enfield, County of Hartford and State of Connecticut, hereinafter called the "Lessee".

WITNESSETH:

- 1. <u>LEASED PREMISES</u>. In consideration of the rents hereinafter reserved and all terms, conditions, covenants and agreements hereinafter contained, the Lessor hereby leases and demises to the Lessee, and the Lessee hereby hires, leases and takes from the Lessor unimproved real estate consisting of 11+/-acres located on Town Farm Road, Enfield, Connecticut, said demised premises being those farmed by the Lessee in recent years and part of a 173+/- acre Town parcel more particularly described in Exhibit A, attached hereto, and shown on a certain plan on file with the Town Clerk's office, in Book of Maps Volume 226 Page 3323.
- 2. <u>USE</u>. The Leased premises may be used for farming and agricultural activities, in particular the growing of crops. Aerial spraying of any kind is expressly prohibited.

- 3. <u>TERM</u>. The term of this Lease shall be for the growing season of 2017, with a commencement date retroactive to April 1, 2017 and with a termination date of October 31, 2017.
- 4. <u>RENT</u>. The Lessee shall pay the Lessor the total rental of \$1 which amount is due and payable, without necessity of demand, upon the signing of this lease.
- 5. TAXES ON LESSEE'S PROPERTY. Lessee shall be solely responsible for and agrees to pay, prior to delinquency, any and all taxes, assessments, levies, fees or other governmental charges of whatever kind or nature levied or assessed upon, against or with respect to all equipment and other personal property or any kind owned by Lessee or placed, installed or located in, upon or about the Premises.
- 6. <u>COMPLIANCE WITH LAW.</u> Lessee shall, at its cost, promptly observe and comply with all provisions of the law including, without limitation, all requirements of all governmental authorities, now or hereafter in force which pertain to or affect the Premises, the Lessee's use of the Premises, the conduct of any business in the Premises, or the making of any repairs, alterations, or improvements of or to the Premises.
- 7. <u>LIABILITY INSURANCE</u>. The Lessee will provide and keep in force, for the benefit of the Lessor, general accident and public liability insurance policies, protecting Lessor against any and all Liability occasioned by accident or disaster in the amount of \$1.000.000.00 in respect to any one accident or disaster, and \$500,000.00 in respect of injuries to any one person, \$1,000,000.00 property damage, and said liability policies shall cover the demised premises. A liability policy covering the Lessor and Lessee, as their interests may appear shall be deemed a compliance with the provisions of this covenant. Lessee shall deposit with Lessor certificates of such insurance at or prior to the execution of this

Lease and thereafter within ten (10) days prior to the expiration of such polices. Such policies shall provided that they may not be canceled without at least ten (10) days prior written notice to Lessor.

In the event that Lessee shall fail to deliver to Lessor certificates of such insurance, Lessor may cause such insurance to be issued and bills for the premiums therefor shall be rendered by Lessor to Lessee at such times a Lessor may elect, and shall be due from and payable to Lessee when rendered and the amount thereof shall be deemed to be, and paid as, additional rental.

- 8. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>. The Lessee shall at all times defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Lessor and its employees, officers, agents and servants, on account of any and all claims, damages, losses, litigation, expenses, counsel fees, and compensation arising out of injuries (including death) sustained by, or alleged to have been sustained by the employees or agents of the Lessor or Lessee, and from injuries (including death) sustained by, or alleged to have been sustained by the public, any or all persons on the demised premises, or by any person or property, real or personal (including property of the Lessor), caused in whole or in part by the acts or omissions of the Lessee, its employees or agents.
- 9. <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>. Lessee may not assign this Lease or sublease the demised premises without prior written consent of the Lessor.
- 10. <u>DEFAULT.</u> (a) If Lessee defaults in compliance with any term or covenant on its part herein contained to be performed, Lessor shall give Lessee fifteen (15) days written notice to cure said default, except, if the default relates to rent or other monetary obligations, lessee shall be in default if the rent or other monetary obligation is not paid within ten (10) days after the same is due and payable.
- (b) If such default, other than rent or other monetary obligation, cannot be reasonably remedied prior to such date, and the Lessee is engaged in good faith in curing such default, or, prior to the expiration date of the notice, has give

Lessor adequate security of the remedy thereof, then this letting and Lessee's rights hereunder shall continue in full force.

- (c) If any such default is not cured within the time limitations above provided and prior to the termination date hereinafter set forth, the Lessor shall have the right to terminate this Lease upon ten (10) days notice to the Lessee, if the default is still not cured within said period, and for such purposes may institute appropriate summary proceedings to enforce the payment of any obligation and the performance of any covenant to recover possession and to terminate this Lease, and after such termination may re-rent, reserving all rights against the Lessee for all loss of rent caused by lessee's breach of this Lease, plus all reasonable attorney's fees.
- 11. WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS. No requirement whatsoever of this letting shall be deemed waived or varied, nor shall Lessor's acceptance of any payment with knowledge of any default or Lessor's failure to delay to take advantage of any default, constitute a waiver of Lessor's rights thereby nor of any subsequent or continued breach of any requirement of this letting. All remedies herein provided for shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any remedies otherwise available to Lessor.
- 12. <u>NOTICES</u>. All notices to be given under this letting shall be in writing and shall be either served or sent by certified or registered mail to the address of the parties below specified. Lessee's address for notices shall be John A. Collins, 9 Powder Hill Road, Enfield, CT 06082 or such other address as Lessee may designate from time to time. Lessor's address for notices shall be Town Manager, Enfield Town Hall, 820 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT, or such other address as Lessor may designate from time to time.
- 13. <u>PEACEFUL ENJOYMENT</u>. Lessor covenants and agrees that upon Lessee's paying rent and performing all the covenants and conditions aforesaid on Lessee's part to be observed and performed, Lessee shall and may

peacefully and quietly have, hold and enjoy the premises hereby demised for the term aforesaid, subject however, to the terms of this Lease.

14. <u>CONSTRUCTION OF LEASE</u>. Words of any gender used on this Lease shall be held to include any other gender, and words in the singular number shall be held to include the plural, when the sense requires. Wherever used herein, the words "Lessor" and "Lessee" shall be deemed to include the

heirs, personal representatives and successors of the parties, unless the context

includes such construction.

15. <u>PARAGRAPH CAPTIONS</u>. The paragraph captions as to contents of the particular paragraph herein are inserted only for convenience, and are in no way construed as part of this Lease or as a limitation on the scope of the

particular paragraphs to which they refer.

16. BINDING UPON SUCCESSORS. All the provisions herein contained

shall bind and insure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their heirs, successor,

assigns and personal representatives.

17. PARTIAL INVALIDITY. If any term, covenant or condition of this

Lease or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall, to any

extent, be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Lease, or the

application of such term, covenant or condition to persons or circumstance other

than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected

thereby. Each term, covenant or condition of this Lease shall be valid and be

enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Dated at Enfield, Connecticut this _____ day of _____ 2017.

Town of Enfield

By:_		
	Bryan R.H. Chodkowski Town Manager	John M. Collins, Member
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	Description	n of Premises

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TOWN OF ENFIELD SIDEWALK THROUGH DRIVEWAY POLICY

- 1. Applicability: This policy applies to replacement of sidewalks across driveways when required due to construction by both public and private entities, including, but not limited to, road and utility work, sidewalk repair/replacement and work by property owners such as reconstruction/repaying of driveways and driveway aprons.
- 2. Effective Date: This policy is effective as of June 19, 2017. All actions with respect to sidewalk removals/replacements that have taken place prior to this date are ratified and confirmed as being consistent with the prior policy.)
- 3. Road Reconstruction: In conformance with Connecticut Department of Transportation standards, aprons (the area between the edge of road and the sidewalk) will be built with a maximum grade of 15%. Sidewalks through driveways will be replaced with asphalt if necessary to meet this maximum grade or blend into the existing driveway. Sidewalks through driveways deemed to require replacement due to poor or hazardous conditions will be replaced with asphalt.
- 4. Driveway Permit Applications: Applicants for driveway permits for driveways crossed by concrete sidewalks will be required to replace the concrete through the driveway with asphalt.
- 5. Exceptions: Driveways and sidewalks constructed of materials other than asphalt or concrete, such as pavers, will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- 6. Sidewalk Design Standards: Sidewalks shall be constructed and repaired to the standards established by the Director of Public Works.